

Winston-Salem State University

Organization Description

Winston-Salem State University (WSSU) is a historically black public university whose primary mission is to offer high quality educational programs at the baccalaureate and masters level for a diverse student population. As a public service and research center, the Center for Community Safety (CCS) of WSSU works to build lasting capacity of the community to address a broad range of quality of life issues affecting Winston-Salem and Forsyth County.

Project Description

The Forsyth County Capacity Building Training Initiative (CBTI), also known as "Operation Strengthen," will provide capacity-building training and customized technical assistance to faith-based and community organizations (FBCOs) in distressed neighborhoods within Winston-Salem and Forsyth County to address the needs of at-risk youth.

Geographic Scope of Project

Forsyth County, North Carolina.

Partnering Organization

Neighbors for Better Neighborhoods

Sub-Awards

CBTI expects to award up to \$11,000 per organization to 20 FBCOs in Winston-Salem and Forsyth County that have a range of service goals, affiliations, beliefs and that target at-risk youth.

Priority Areas

At-risk youth.

Project Objectives

1. To provide training to FBCOs serving at-risk youth in Forsyth County to increase the organizations' knowledge base and skill level.
2. To provide technical assistance customized to the needs of FBCOs that support their development, programmatic sustainability, and effectiveness.
3. To provide 20 sub-awards to FBCOs to support capacity-building activities and projects that allows them to serve at-risk youth.
4. To increase the number of healthy and skilled FBCOs working collaboratively with at-risk youth in Forsyth County.
5. To evaluate the effectiveness of capacity-building training and customized technical assistance provided to FBCOs.

Project Strategy

CBTI will provide capacity-building training and technical assistance to all interested FBCOs addressing the needs of at-risk youth in the service area through a two-phased approach: 1) orienting all organizations to CBTI followed by capacity-building training workshops and limited technical assistance; 2) customized technical assistance and the awarding of sub-awards to a smaller subset.

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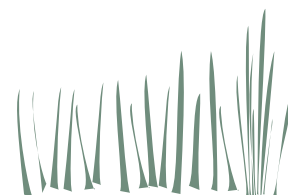
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Project Outcomes

Project outcomes include increased capacity for participating FBCOs in areas that are key to the organization's effectiveness and sustainability, such as: mission, board, staff, systems, strategy, and relationships. Potential impacts include: more effective programs; success in achieving intended outcomes; resources to implement and evaluate programs; more successful fundraising; stronger partnerships; and positive, meaningful evaluation results.

Grant Award Amount

\$548,961



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